



SANTIAGO'S DOOM

American Guns Will Belch Forth
Death Tomorrow.

BOMBARDMENT POSTPONED

Non-Combatants Will Be Allowed
to Reach Safety.

THE CITY MAY SURRENDER

It is believed that at the last moment, rather than undergo the horrors of a bombardment, the beleaguered capital of Eastern Cuba will haul down the Spanish ensign—the question of mines in Santiago harbor.

Secretary Alger said this morning that the bombardment of Santiago has been postponed until tomorrow, on account of the great suffering that would result among the residents of the city.

It was desired to give as many non-combatants as possible a chance to escape from the effects of the shells from the American batteries by seeking refuge in the hills.

Advices from Gen. Shafter relating to the surrender of the city are hourly expected.

Admiral Sampson is now supposed to be in a position to approach the town and bombard it from the harbor.

The American troops have at last succeeded in planting their siege guns in positions where they can be trained upon Santiago with damaging accuracy. Everything is in readiness for a final attack upon the city.

There is no fighting today.

The existing truce will last until tomorrow. Before it expires the Spaniards are expected to capitulate. If they make further resistance it will be last desperate struggle of a savage enemy, defeated, but not subdued.

Gen. Shafter will not wait for reinforcements to renew his attack upon the city in view of the serious set back sustained by the Spanish in the destruction of Cervera's fleet.

LINARES REPORTED DEAD.

Madrid Claims Two Thousand Americans Were Killed and Wounded. Madrid, July 4.—The ministry makes the statement that the aggregate American losses in the fighting around Santiago were 2,000 killed and wounded.

The government has received no news from Agudores or of the arrival of reinforcements under Generals Escarreja and Pareja.

The report has been received here, but not confirmed officially, that General Linares has died from the effects of his wounds.

NAVAL PROMOTIONS.

Acting Rear Admiral Sampson is Made a Commodore.

The President today sent to the Senate the name of Captain (acting rear admiral) William T. Sampson to be a commodore. Rear Admiral Sampson has been a senior captain, and this promotion is not in recognition of the destruction of Cervera's fleet, but merely occurred in the course of events, and his further advancement, on the score of the glorious services rendered to the American arms, will follow at the proper time.

Among the other nominations sent to the Senate were: Lieut. Commander William S. Cowles, to be a commander. Commodore Frederick V. McNair, to be a rear admiral. Commander Francis W. Dickinson, to be a captain.

District Troops in Cuba at Congress Heights the Fourth.

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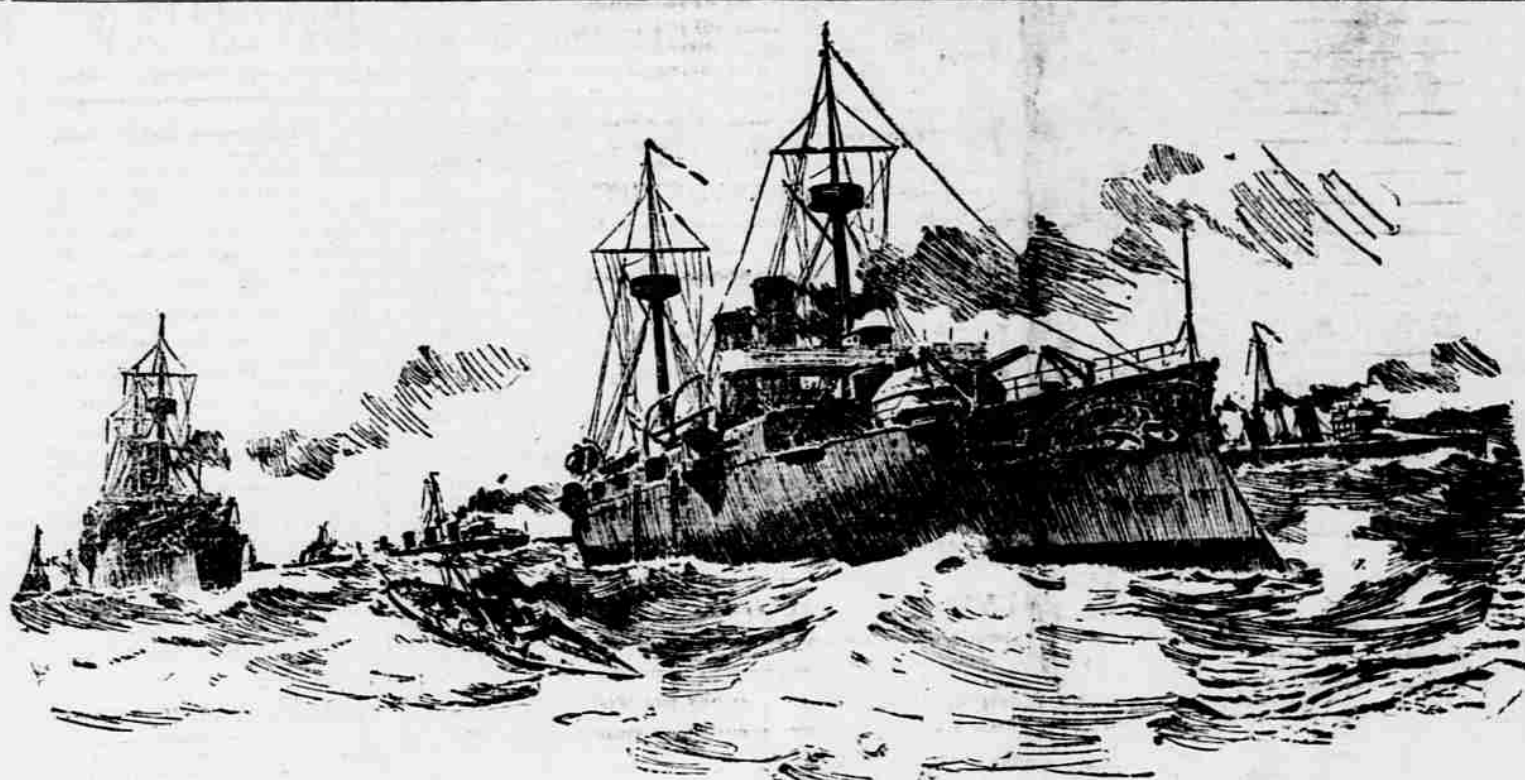
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THE SPANISH FLEET WHICH WAS DESTROYED.

THE INFANTA MARIA TERESA.

The Infanta Maria Teresa is an armored, central battery cruiser of 7,000 tons, and has a speed of 20.25 knots. Her main battery consists of two 11-inch and ten 5.5-inch Hontoria guns, and her secondary battery mounts eight 2.2-inch and eight 1.4-inch rapid fire guns, two machine guns and six torpedo tubes. Her armor belt is 12 inches in thickness, 10 1/2 inches on her gun positions, and she has a deck plating 3 inches thick. Her coal capacity is 1,200 tons, and her crew numbers 500.

THE ALMIRANTE OQUENDO.

The Almirante Oquendo is built after the same plans as the Infanta Maria Teresa, but attains a speed of only 20 knots.

THE VIZCAYA.

The Vizcaya is similar to the Maria Teresa. Her speed is twenty knots, and she carries two 11-inch and ten 5.5-inch guns in her main battery, and two 2.2-

inch, eight 2.2-inch, four 1.4-inch, and two machine guns in the secondary battery. She has six torpedo tubes.

THE CRISTOBAL COLON.

The Cristobal Colon is an armored cruiser of 6,800 tons. Her armor belt is six inches in thickness and she has one and one-half inches of deck plating. Her coal-carrying capacity is 1,100 tons. The main battery consists of two 10-inch guns. Six 4.7-inch, ten 2.2-inch, ten 1.4-inch, and two machine guns comprise the secondary battery. Her complement is 450.

THE PLUTON.

The Pluton is a torpedo-boat destroyer of 400 tons, and has a speed of thirty knots. She carries two 13-pounder, two 6-pounder, and two 1-pounder guns, 100 tons of coal and seventy men.

SANTIAGO AT SHAFER'S MERCY.

He Has the City Surrounded and Gen. Pando Cut Off.

"Via Hailt, Playa del Este, July 4.—Adjutant General's Office, Washington, Headquarters Fifth Army Corps, Near Santiago, July 4.—(Tonight) my lines completely surround the town from the bay on the north of the city to a point on the San Juan river, on the south. The enemy holds from the west bank of the San Juan at its mouth up the railroad to the city.

"General Pando, I find today, is some distance away and will not get into Santiago.

(Signed) "SHAFER, Major General Commanding."

THE SMASHING OF CERVERA.

Joy of Our Troops When the News Reached the Front.

"Camp of the Fifth Army Corps, near Santiago, Playa del Este, 9:30 a. m., July 4. "Adjutant General, Washington, D. C.: "When the news of the disaster of the Spanish fleet reached the front, which was during the period of the truce, the regimental band, that had managed to keep its instruments on the line, played the 'Star Spangled Banner' and 'There'll Be a Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight.' The cheering passed from one end of the line to the other. "Officers and men without even shelter tents, have been soaking for five days in the afternoon rains, but all are happy.

(Signed) "SHAFER, Major General Commanding."

A PROMISE OF COOL WEATHER.

It will be cooler this evening. The Weather Bureau today issued a special bulletin giving promise of cool weather this evening and tomorrow. A thunderstorm is indicated.

HAWAIIAN ANNEXATION.

Mr. Allen Reads a Long Speech Against It.

Thanks were rendered for the triumph of American arms both on sea and land in the opening prayer in the Senate today.

There was no question of a quorum raised, and after transacting a small amount of morning business Mr. Davis called up the Hawaiian annexation resolutions and Mr. White yielded the floor to Mr. Allen, who had a long typewritten speech against annexation on his desk which he began to read.

He declared that all of Spain's colonial possessions must pass from her control and become independent governments.

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The weather—Libbey & Co. say—Cooler; probably thunderstorms tonight.

SAGASTA WILL NOT YIELD

He Declares Spain's Intention to Continue the War.

DEFEAT BUT NO SURRENDER

The Destruction of Cervera's Fleet and the Fall of Santiago Will Not Cause the Dons to Lay Down Their Arms—Rather Die Than Surrender.

London, July 4.—A dispatch from Madrid to the Central News says that in an interview yesterday Premier Sagasta gave abundant evidence that he entertained not the slightest idea of surrendering or of making any overtures for peace.

Senor Sagasta, in the course of an interview, said: "Though the Americans get reinforcements and take Santiago, or the American warships enter the harbor and destroy ours, we will yet pursue this war to the end.

"There are in Cuba a hundred thousand men, including the volunteers, who are ready to die in its defense, but will never yield."

WIRES CAPTURED.

Our Troops in Possession of the San Juan Telephone Station.

Colonel Allen, the United States signal officer in Cuba, cabled Gen. Greely today that the telephone station at San Juan had been captured, and that our troops are making use of it.

Spanish Ships to Watch Watson.

Gibraltar, July 4.—The Spanish warships Lepanto, Cardinal Cisneros, Alfonso XIII and Victoria have been ordered to cruise in the vicinity of Cadiz, in anticipation of the appearance of Commodore Watson's American fleet off the coast.

Fourth of July at Congress Heights.

Band of music in the afternoon in large oak grove; sack race, bicycle race, race between man and horse, cake walk at night and Spanish bull fight and other moving pictures. Free transfer at Navy Yard gate.

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CERVERA IS A PRISONER

His Entire Fleet Utterly Destroyed
by Sampson's Squadron.

ONLY ONE AMERICAN KILLED

The Enemy Lost Heavily in Killed and Wounded. Thirteen Hundred Prisoners Taken—Sampson's Glorious Fourth of July Present.

The Navy Department at 12:45 this afternoon posted the following bulletin:

"The fleet under my command offers the nation as a gift of July present the destruction of the entire Spanish fleet. It attempted to escape at 9:30 this morning.

"At 2 the last ship, the Cristobal Colon, had run ashore sixty miles west of Santiago and hauled down her flag.

"The Vizcaya, Oquendo and Maria Teresa were forced ashore, burned and blown up within twenty miles of Santiago. The Furor and Pluton were destroyed within four miles of the fort.

"Our loss is one killed and two wounded. Enemy's loss amounted to several hundred from gun fire and explosion. About 1,300 prisoners taken, including Cervera.

"The man killed was George H. Ellis, yeoman of the Brooklyn. "SAMPSON."

Secretary Long at once sent the following telegram thanking Admiral Sampson and his men for their glorious victory:

"The Secretary of the Navy sends you and every officer and man in your fleet, remembering equally your desk comrades, graceful acknowledgements of your heroism and success. All honor to the brave! You have maintained the glory of the American Navy.

(Signed)

"LONG."

The President Thanks Sampson.

The President sent the following telegram to Admiral Sampson:

"Executive Mansion, Washington, D. C., July 4.

"Admiral Sampson, Playa del Este: "You have the gratitude and congratulation of the whole American people. Convey to your noble officers and crews through whose valor new honors have been added to the American Navy, the grateful thanks and appreciation of the nation.

"WILLIAM MCKINLEY."

Joy at the Departments.

A most remarkable demonstration of wild enthusiasm greeted the message from Admiral Sampson, when it was posted on the Navy Department bulletin board.

Cheer after cheer rang through the dull old corridors, hats went up into the air, rolled away and lost themselves in dark corners, but nobody cared, and the scene was one that will be long remembered.

One man stood up and read the message. At intervals shouts and remarks interrupted his voice.

"I wonder if they'll take Cervera for Hobson?" yelled one man.

"We got a prisoner now they'll want to exchange," cried another.

"Hurrah for Sampson!"

The excitement lasted for half an hour before it could be subdued, and it was with great difficulty that the old building was induced to resume its usual staid dignity.

The department expects full details of how Cervera's fleet was destroyed, but it is probable that no further report will be made by Admiral Sampson until Santiago has capitulated.

The War Department is in possession of intelligence, however, from Colonel Allen, chief of the U. S. Signal Corps at Playa del Este, who sent the first news of Cervera's destruction. This is the story as gleaned from his later dispatches:

Cervera attempted an escape from the harbor wherein he had been ingloriously bottled up for so long. Admiral Sampson had early been apprised of the enemy's move. The fleets met immediately outside the mouth of the harbor.

A Terrific Battle.

The engagement was terrific but brief. Cervera's dash for liberty only hastened his inevitable fate.

His men fought hard, but the Americans fought like heroes.

Facing defeat straight ahead and knowing the fate of again retreating into the harbor, Cervera signalled a new maneuver. His ships withdrew under cover of the remaining land batteries and attempted to elude the Americans through the shallow shoal water near shore.

It was the last maneuver ever made by the flower of Spain's navy. Admiral Sampson pressed the enemy's ships yet closer into shore and battered them to pieces with his heavy guns.

Sampson Still Outside the Harbor.

The Navy Department officials say that they believe that Admiral

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